

REMARKS

Careful consideration has been given to the Office Action of May 19, 2005 and applicant responds as follows.

New drawings are submitted herewith.

Claims 1, 3-6 and 11 are rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over the patents to Grand 1,403,600 and the publication to Minassian.

The Grand patent is disclosed to show that a loop can be twisted longitudinally to provide a spiral appearance. The patent to Minassian discloses a bracelet having stones mounted on opposite sides along the edges of the bracelet. While the stones of Minassian are capable of rotating, they rotate about an axis perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the chain and do not comprise a spiral pattern. There is absolutely no showing, suggestion nor disclosure of twisting the Minassian bracelet to form a spiral so that the stones would also form a spiral pattern. This is central to the present invention.

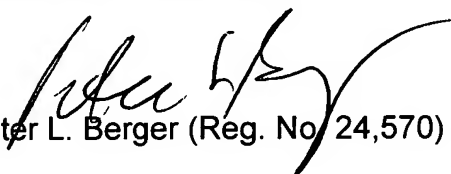
As described in this application, the provision of structure to produce such a spiral appearance of the bracelet and combined stones provides a unique, significant and important advance in the art.

Claim 1 has been amended to more specifically recite that the stones form a spiral pattern along said loop. Such a specific recitation of the structural arrangement of the jewelry stones is the advantage obtained with this present invention and is neither shown, suggested nor disclosed in the prior art.

The Minassian chain can not be twisted, and it is intentionally not intended to be twisted because the stones mounted on the opposite sides of the bracelet are intended to rotate about their own perpendicular axis so as to present different orientations of such stones without a spiral pattern being formed.

In view of the amendment to claims and the comments above, it is respectfully requested that an early notice of allowance be issued.

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